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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1  
TAGS: PINT, JM  
SUBJECT: MANEUVERING OF THE PNP MODERATES.

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS PIECED TOGETHER FROM  
INFORMATION GIVEN TO ME DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS BY  
CERTAIN HIGHLY RELIABLE JAMAICAN NATIONALS WHO ARE IN  
A POSITION TO BE PRIVY TO PNP INNER CIRCLE HAPPENINGS:

2. THE PNP MODERATES WERE SO CERTAIN ABOUT THEIR  
STRENGTH FOR THE UPCOMING RECONVENING OF THE PNP  
CONFERENCE NOW SCHEDULED FOR EARLY MARCH THAT THEY WERE  
PREPARED TO GIVE PRIME MINISTER MANLEY AN ULTIMATUM THAT  
HE DROP RADICAL HUGH SMALL FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
AND REAFFIRM "IN A POSITIVE MANNER" HIS REDEDICATION  
TO THE PRINCIPLES OF "DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISM" (EMPHASIS  
ON THE WORD "DEMOCRATIC") AND STOP HIS DRIFT TOWARD  
"AUTHORITARIANISM AND COMMUNISM", OR RISK BEING DROPPED  
AS THE PARTY LEADER. THEY ALSO FELT THAT THEY COULD  
CAPTURE ALL FOUR VICE PRESIDENCY POSITIONS. TIMING  
OF THE IMF ACTION WHICH RESULTED IN THE DEVALUATION OF  
THE JAMAICAN DOLLAR ON JANUARY 13 HAS ROCKED THEIR CON-  
FIDENCE A BIT. THEY NEVERTHELESS BELIEVE THEY CAN MAIN-  
TAIN THEIR POSITIONN BUT PERHAPS NOT GO AS FAR AS THEY  
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HAD CONTEMPLATED. THE NEXT 30 DAYS WILL BE CRUCIAL FOR  
THEM IN REBUILDING THEIR STRENGTH.

3. THE DEVALUATION WAS OVER THE STRONG PERSONAL OBJECTION  
OF MANLEY BUT HE WAS GIVEN NO CHOICE.  
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